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Dear Parents of Year 5 and 6 children,

Eastbrook have been approached by Exeter University, Psychology department, to participate in a research project of theirs. In this survey the research team are trying to understand how children think about animals, and the ways in which humans treat them. This links to the children's learning in a number of ways especially through the science curriculum but also through their learning about sustainability and the developing humane education programme that is being implemented throughout the school. As the answers will be used by the university, we need your written consent for the children to participate.

The survey will take about 20 minutes to complete and will be completed during their science lesson. The questions in the survey will ask them about different animals and the ways in which humans interact with them, including some questions about different food items. If you would like to see a sample of the survey then please get in touch and we can show you an example.

All responses will be completed anonymously (no names will be written on the paper) and the names of the children will not be shared with the university. The answers will contribute to a collective analysis that may be submitted in academic papers or at scientific conferences. The answers will be kept on a password-secured and encrypted file that is only accessible to trained researchers and will be destroyed after 5 years. Obviously, this is not a test and there are no right or wrong answers.

The children will be given a brief and debrief before and after to explain the survey to them. If the children decide at *any* point they do not wish to participate then they of course, don't have to.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Walker

Science co-ordinator

Y5/6 Science project

Please select one of the following options and return this form to the school by Wednesday 4th December

I have read the above information and I am happy for my child to take part in this survey

I have read the above information and I do not want my child to take part in this survey

My child's name is Class

Signed.....Parent/Carer

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